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Dear Sir:

In response to the Election of Species Requirement dated December 15, 2006, Applicant elects the Species c, comprising a wound, stranded cord member upon which claims 1-13 of the accompanying preliminary amendment are readable. Applicant makes this election of species with the expressed intent of not abandoning his invention contained in the other claims and expressly reserves the right to take whatever other action is necessary to preserve his invention contained in the other claim.

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